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SUBJECT: VISITS UNDER THE JOHN J. MCCLOY FUND
EXCHANGE PROGRAM

1. A BUNDESTAG OFFICIAL, WERNER BLISCHKE, HAS ASKED
THE EMBASSY TO HELP HIM PUT TOGETHER A PROGRAM FOR
THREE LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANTS FROM CAPITOL HILL WHO
PLAN TO VISIT THE FRG THIS SPRING UNDER THE AUSPICES OF
A PROGRAM WHICH DAVID KLEIN, FROM THE JOHN J. MCCLOY
FUND OF THE AMERICAN COUNCIL ON GERMANY, WORKED OUT
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WITH THE BUNDESTAG DIRECTOR, DR. HELMUT SCHELLKNECHT,
DURING HIS VISIT TO BONN IN JANUARY 1977. BLISCHKE
TOLD US THAT THE ORIGINAL AGREEMENT PROVIDED THAT THE
MCCLOY FUND WOULD COVER FULL COSTS FOR (A) A VISIT TO
BONN BY FOUR LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANTS FROM CAPITOL HILL
IN MARCH, AND (B) RECIPROCAL TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON BY
FOUR BUNDESTAG OFFICIALS IN MAY. HOWEVER, SOME OF THE

DETAILS HAVE RECENTLY CHANGED, AND HAVE LED TO A FEW PROBLEMS.

2. FIRST OF ALL, THERE IS THE MATTER OF COORDINATION WITHIN THE FRG. THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR SETTING UP THESE PROGRAMS RESTS WITH BLISCHKE AND, THROUGH HIM, WITH FRAU DR. KLOEHNE OF INTER NATIONES IN BONN. GOOD MANAGEMENT ARGUES THAT KLEIN SHOULD DEAL DIRECTLY WITH THEM ON ALL DETAILS: THEIR RESPECTIVE TELEPHONE NUMBERS ARE 16-26-19 AND 88-03-04. THIS EMBASSY AND ITS CONSTITUENT POSTS WILL ONLY BECOME INVOLVED TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO SET UP APPOINTMENTS WITH USG OFFICIALS, CIVILIAN AND MILITARY. FOR THAT PURPOSE THE EMBASSY CONTROL OFFICER IS JAMES A. WILLIAMS (EMBASSY PHONE 89-32-44), WHO IN TURN WILL COORDINATE WITH BLISCHKE.

3. SO FAR, KLEIN HAS WRITTEN AMBASSADOR STOESSEL, OTHER USG OFFICIALS IN THE FRG AND BERLIN, AND SCHELLKNECHT ON THE PARTICULAR REQUESTS FROM THREE LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANTS -- KELLEY, FELTHAM, JACKSON -- WHO PLAN TO VISIT THE FRG THIS SPRING. ONE OF THE INVITEES (KELLEY) HAS SUBSEQUENTLY GIVEN SCHELLKNECHT CHANGES IN HIS PROGRAM. WITH ONE EXCEPTION WHICH IS NOTED BELOW, THE BUNDESTAG AND THE EMBASSY ARE PROCEEDING ON THE BASIS OF KELLEY'S LETTER. HOWEVER, WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT KLEIN AND THE CAPITOL HILL INVITEES ARRANGE ALL FURTHER DETAILS DIRECTLY WITH BLISCHKE, PREFERABLY BY CABLE OR TELEPHONE CALL.
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4. FOR THE INFORMATION OF ALL ADDRESSEES, THE REQUESTED APPOINTMENTS FOR THE THREE VISITS ARE CURRENTLY AS FOLLOWS:

A. ROBERT K. KELLEY, LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR AND COUNSEL TO SENATOR CHARLES MCC. MATHIAS, JR.

MARCH 14 - MARCH 17 -- BONN
APPOINTMENTS REQUESTED WITH FRG OFFICIALS,
SWEDISH AMBASSADOR BACKLUND, AND USG EMBASSY.

MARCH 18 -- HAMBURG
APPOINTMENTS REQUESTED WITH MAYOR KLOSE,
ERIK BLUMENFELD, THEO SOMMER, GRAEFIN DOENHOFF,
AND OTHERS

MARCH 19-MARCH 20 -- FREE WEEKEND

MARCH 21 -- BERLIN

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APPOINTMENTS REQUESTED WITH GOVERNING MAYOR,
PRESIDENTS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
AND OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, MINISTER GEORGE,
AND THE U.S. COMMANDANT.

MARCH 22 - MARCH 23 -- STUTTGART
APPOINTMENTS REQUESTED WITH MINISTER-PRESIDENT
FILBINGER, DR. RUNDEL (FORMER AIDE TO
CHANCELLOR KIESINGER), REPORTERS (WERNER
BOLLMANN, JOACHIM KANNICHT, DIETER CYKON),
AND -- A MATTER WHICH KLEIN PROPOSED BUT
KELLEY DID NOT -- DCINCEUR OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE
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MARCH 24 -- HEIDELBERG
APPOINTMENTS REQUESTED WITH RECTOR OF
HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY, AND CINCUSAREUR
GENERAL BLANCHARD OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE.

KELLEY PLANS TO DEPART FOR U.S. ON EVENING OF
MARCH 24.

B. JAMES FELTHAM, OFFICE OF HOUSE MINORITY
LEADER JOHN RHODES

FELTHAM WANTS TO DISCUSS ENERGY AND AGRICULTURE,
AND TO MEET WITH CDU AND SPD FIGURES.

HE PLANS TO VISIT THE FRG MARCH 14-MARCH 21,
AS FOLLOWS:

MARCH 14-16, IN BONN; MARCH 16-17, IN HAMBURG;
MARCH 18-19, IN BERLIN; AND MARCH 20-21, IN
MUNICH.

TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, FELTHAM HAS NOT REQUESTED
APPOINTMENTS WITH USG OFFICIALS.

C. WILLIAM E. JACKSON, OFFICE OF SENATE MAJORITY
WHIP ALAN R. CRANSTON

KLEIN WROTE THAT JACKSON CAN "ONLY" VISIT
THE FRG ON APRIL 8-15, AND THAT HE WISHES TO DISCUSS
FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENSE, NATO AND BERLIN MATTERS WITH
FRG POLITICIANS AND WITH THE SAME BERLIN OFFICIALS WHOM
KELLEY ASKED TO MEET. BECAUSE JACKSON'S PROJECTED
VISIT OVERLAPS THE LONG EASTER HOLIDAY, BLISCHKE WROTE
KLEIN ON FEBRUARY 28 TO RECOMMEND THAT ANOTHER TIME BE
CHOSEN. AS A PRACTICAL MATTER, IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE
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TO ARRANGE APPOINTMENTS DURING MOST OF THE APRIL 8-15
PERIOD.

5. IN ADDITION, WE RECOMMEND THAT KLEIN BE ADVISED TO
GIVE BLISCHKE A MORE PRECISE IDEA OF PARTICULAR SUBJECTS
WHICH KELLEY AND FELTHAM WISH TO DISCUSS WITH FRG AND
USG OFFICIALS, AND THAT KLEIN AND ALL VISITORS UNDER THE
PROGRAM PROVIDE PROMPT, COORDINATED GUIDANCE, ON A

CONTINUING BASIS, TO BLISCHKE. WE BELIEVE IT WOULD ONLY
CONTRIBUTE TO CONFUSION IF THE EMBASSY,
MISSION BERLIN AND CONGENS WERE TO BECOME INVOLVED IN
PROGRAMMING, OTHER THAN TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS WITH USG
OFFICIALS.

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